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Revision to NFS Appendix A, A-102.3 – Removing Requirement to Use Price Performance Tradeoff (PPTO) Source Selection Procedures When Acquiring Protective Services (NFS Case 2022-N010)

PURPOSE: Revise NASA FAR Supplement (NFS) Appendix A, A-102.3 to delete paragraph (b)(2)(i) to remove the requirement that buying locations acquire protective services using Price Performance Tradeoff (PPTO) source selection procedures.

BACKGROUND: Procurement Information Circular (PIC) 15-09, Procurement Guidance for Center Protective Services Contracts, was issued on September 21, 2015, to provide procurement guidance to ensure that protective services contracts were implemented in a consistent and standardized manner throughout the Agency. Use of PPTO is considered a simplified best value source selection strategy, permitting trade-off between price and performance in reaching award decision, applies to commercial and non-commercial acquisitions, and is normally, conducted without discussions.

PN 18-09, Revision of NFS 1807 and 1837 -- Protective Services Contracts, was issued on June 7, 2018 as part of the Office of Procurement, Contract & Grant Policy Division (CGPD) on-going review of Procurement Information Circulars (PICs) to ensure the accuracy and relevancy of information and in support of CGPD continuing efforts to consolidate procurement policy as much as possible in one location (i.e. the NFS). The guidance contained in PIC 15-09 was incorporated into the NFS at 1807 and 1837. In addition, PN 18-09 incorporated guidance that acquisitions for protective services shall utilize PPTO source selection procedures.

PN 19-12 relocated the protective services policy to the newly formed Appendix A.

After further assessment of the Protective Services Product Service Line, to ensure continued quality services for all Centers, buying locations must have the ability to use other types of source selection procedures that allow subjective trade-off decisions that include technical/mission suitability.

ACQUISITIONS AFFECTED BY CHANGES: This revised policy is applicable to all acquisitions for protective services.

ACTION REQUIRED BY CONTRACTING OFFICERS: Ensure compliance with the revised NFS policy.

PROVISION AND CLAUSE CHANGES: None.

NFS PART(S) AFFECTED: Appendix A

PIC or PCD CHANGES: None.

TYPE OF RULE AND PUBLICATION DATE: These changes do not have a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of NASA and do not have a significant cost or administrative impact on contractors or offerors, and therefore do not require codification in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) or publication for public comment.

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Enclosure

NFS changes indicated in **[bold text]** for additions or by ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions.
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APPENDIX A ENTERPRISE PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES

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A-102 Enterprise Procurement Strategies.

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A-102.3 Fire Services and Protective Services

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(b) * * *

(1) * * *

(2) The buying location must-

~~(i) Utilize Price Performance Tradeoff (PPTO) source selection procedures (see 1807.105(b)(4)) when acquiring protective services. Technical representatives as identified by the Headquarters, Office of Protective Services will participate in this streamlined source selection process;~~

[(i)] ~~(ii)~~ Award resulting contracts on a firm-fixed-price basis; and

[(ii)] ~~(iii)~~ Set-aside these requirements for a small business category, pursuant to the procedures prescribed at FAR Subpart 19.5. Additional requirements may be included in any acquisition for protective services provided the total combined requirement is set-aside for a small business category.

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